

3 February 1953MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL SMITH: **WB**

Extract of Drew Pearson's broadcast of last Sunday:

Drew Pearson

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Now here's a prediction about two very important appointees, one a Catholic, one a Protestant, both facing Senate opposition tomorrow. One is Dr. James Conant, president of Harvard, appointed as High Commissioner to Germany; the other is Gen. Bedell Smith, appointed Under Secretary of State, both men of great ability. Dr. Conant faces a barrage of Catholic criticism because he made a speech last year upholding public schools against private schools. Gen. Smith, a Catholic, is opposed by some Senators because he testified in defense of State Department official John Davies, accused by Sen. Pat McCarran of being pro-Communist. There is bitter opposition to both. However, Gen. Timothy McInerney, a friend of Gen. Smith's, has sought the good offices of Cardinal Spellman with Sen. McCarran regarding Dr. Conant. It happens that he has educated more Catholic boys at Harvard than ever before in history. So here is my prediction: After a Senate hearing both Gen. Smith and Dr. Conant will be confirmed -- as they should be in our system of religious tolerance so necessary to make democracy live.

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STANLEY J. GROGAN

WALTER BEDELL SMITH

Staff Meeting, Monday, May 26, 1952

COMMENT:

"I am told that my staff is beginning to flinch. Perhaps they should be told that it is in the nature of this beast to bellow like a wounded bison."

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FIFTH INSTALLMENT OF MINAYEV'S SERIES ON VIGILANCE

TEXT

IN THE POSTWAR YEARS THE ANGLO-AMERICAN BARMONGERS TRIED TO INTENSIFY THEIR SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION. TO ORGANIZE ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES THE UNITED STATES DISPATCHED TO MOSCOW AS AMBASSADOR THE PROFESSIONAL SPY, LT. GEN. SMITH, THE FORMER EMPLOYEE OF THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN MOSCOW, ANNADELLA BUCAR, WHO HAD LEFT THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY, WROTE IN HER BOOK "THE TRUTH ABOUT AMERICAN DIPLOMATS": "SMITH LITERALLY FORCED EVERY EMBASSY EMPLOYEE DOWN TO THE LOWEST CLERK TO ENGAGE IN ESPIONAGE. HE ASSIGNED TO THE EMBASSY EMPLOYEES AS THEIR DUTY TO ENTER INTO A CONTACT WITH SOVIET CITIZENS, TO TALK TO THEM ABOUT ALL SORTS OF SUBJECTS CONCERNING RUSSIAN LIFE, AND TO COMPILE DETAILED AND EXTENSIVE REPORTS ON

THESE CONVERSATIONS."

HOWEVER, THE AMERICAN SPIES MET WITH FERVENT PATRIOTISM AND ALERTNESS OF THE SOVIET PEOPLE. "THE AMERICAN SPIES," BUCAR WRITES, "HAVE COMPLAINED OFTEN THAT SOVIET CITIZENS CANNOT BE RECRUITED AND ARE CAUSING THEM GREAT TROUBLE, FOR WHICH THEY FREQUENTLY HAVE TO LEAVE THE SOVIET UNION IN A HURRY."

BUCAR WRITES OF A SERIES OF VERY SERIOUS FAILURES OF UNITED STATES SPIES IN THE SOVIET UNION. ONE OF THESE FAILURES WAS THE DISCLOSURE OF THE ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES OF THE UNITED STATES ASSISTANT NAVAL ATTACHE IN MOSCOW, ROBERT DREYER. DREYER TRIED IN THE SPRING OF NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT TO ACQUIRE SECRET INFORMATION FROM ONE OF HIS AGENTS. HE MET HIM IN AN OFFICE AND IN THE MOMENT WHEN DREYER WAS RECEIVING THE ESPIONAGE DATA, A REPRESENTATIVE

EMPLOYEE OF ... DREYER WAS CAUGHT RED-HANDED. ON SOVIET DEMAND

DREYER WAS EXPELLED FROM THE SOVIET UNION.

THE SOVIET PEOPLE REVEALED ALSO THE ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES
OF THE BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE MAJ. GEN. HILTON. UNDER THE
PRETEXT OF ACQUAINTING HIMSELF WITH THE SOVIET LAND AND THE WAY
OF LIFE OF THE SOVIET PEOPLE, HILTON EXPLORED THE SURROUNDINGS
OF MOSCOW TRYING TO GET INFORMATION ON MILITARY OBJECTS AND DEFENSE
INSTALLATIONS. ON SEPTEMBER THIRTEENTH, NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN,
EMPLOYEES OF A MOSCOW MILITARY FACTORY NOTICED AN UNKNOWN
MAN STANDING ON A RAILWY BRIDGE NEAR THE WORKS AND TAKING
PICTURES OF THE FACTORY. THE EMPLOYEES REPORTED IT IMMEDIATELY
TO THE WORKS' MILITIA, WHICH ARRESTED THE UNKNOWN MAN, WHO TRIED
TO ESCAPE, AND BROUGHT HIM INTO THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE.
DURING THE EXAMINATION THE UNKNOWN MAN WAS IDENTIFIED AS THE
BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE, GEN. HILTON. HILTON WAS NOT RPT NOT

WEARING HIS USUAL SUIT BUT WAS DRESSED UP AS A WORKER.

HE HAD AN OLD WOOL COAT AND WORKING BOOTS.

THE WORKERS OF THE FACTORY SENT A LETTER TO PRAVDA IN WHICH THEY INFORMED THE SOVIET PUBLIC OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BRITISH MILITARY ATTACHE. HILTON HAD NOTHING LEFT BUT TO LEAVE THE SOVIET UNION IMMEDIATELY. THUS IT WAS DUE TO THE VIGILANCE OF THE WORKERS THAT THE ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES OF A GREAT BRITISH SPY WERE FRUSTRATED.

THE AMERICAN AND BRITISH ESPIONAGE SERVICE HAVE ATTEMPTED TO DISPATCH TO THE SOVIET UNION THEIR SPYING AGENTS USING THE REPATRIATION OF SOVIET CITIZENS WHO FOUND THEMSELVES OVERSEAS TERRITORY DURING THE GREAT PATRIOTIC WAR. BUT THE SOVIET PEOPLE REFUSE TO BE TAKEN IN BY THE IMPERIALIST INTRIGUES. LET US CITE ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THE VIGILANCE OF THE SOVIET PATRIOTS. THE SOVIET CITIZEN STEFANOVIC HAD BEEN IN THE ARMY UNTIL NINETEEN FORTYFOUR, AND WAS FORCIBLY REMOVED TO FRANCE BY THE NAZIS.

TO BRITAIN WHERE HE WAS SENT TO THE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR SPIES AND SABOTEURS TO BE DISPATCHED TO THE SOVIET UNION AND THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES. STEFANOVIC REFUSED TO BECOME A TRAITOR AND DESERTED FROM HIS SCHOOL. HE WENT TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY AND DECLARED HIS INTENTIONS TO RETURN HOME. STEFANOVIC'S REQUEST WAS GRANTED. HE ARRIVED ON A SOVIET SHIP IN LENINGRAD.

THE AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE HAS MORE THAN ONCE TRIED IN THE POSTWAR PERIOD TO ORGANIZE VARIOUS ANTI-SOVIET SABOTAGE ACTIONS. FOR INSTANCE, IN THE SPRING OF NINETEEN FORTYSIX AN AMERICAN SHIP ARRIVED IN ODESSA WITH A CARGO OF ... THE SHIP'S PAPERS ASSERTED THAT THE CARGO WAS IN SPLENDID CONDITION. THE PORT OFFICIALS, HOWEVER, PROVED THEIR VIGILANCE AND INSPECTED THE CARGO VERY CAREFULLY. IT HAS ESTABLISHED THAT THE WHOLE CARGO WAS INFECTED. BUT FEW WORDS UNINTELLIGIBLE --ED

DISGUSTED WITH THE HOSTILE INTRIGUES, THE SOVIET PEOPLE ASKED
THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT TO METE OUT HARSH PUNISHMENT TO THE
WARMONGERS. MANY SOVIET REPUBLIC, TRADE UNIONS, WORKERS,
ORGANIZATIONS, AND CULTURAL WORKERS REQUESTED THE SUPREME
SOVIET TO PROVIDE FOR THE PASSING OF DEATH SENTENCES ON TRAITORS,
SPIES, AND SABOTEURS. THIS REQUEST WAS GRANTED AND ON NOVEMBER
TWELFTH, NINETEEN FIFTY, THE SUPREME SOVIET PASSED A DECREE
TO THIS EFFECT. THE DETERMINED FIGHT OF THE SOVIET PEOPLE AGAINST
SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS IS
FOILING THEIR BASE PLANS AT WEAKENING THE MIGHT OF THE SOVIET UNION,
THE GUARANTOR OF PEACE AND THE SECURITY OF NATIONS. THE
VIGILANCE OF THE SOVIET PEOPLE IN REGARD TO THE INTRIGUES OF THE
ANGLO-AMERICAN WARMONGERS IS SERVING PEACE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

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